

SENATE BILL 1335
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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39,
Chapter 13, Part 5 and Title 40, Chapter 35,
relative to certain sexual offenses committed by
inmates.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-13-505, is amended by adding the following language as a new subsection:

(e) Notwithstanding any provision of title 40, chapter 35, or any other law to the contrary, if a defendant commits the offense of sexual battery while incarcerated within any correctional facility, then at least one (1) year of the sentence imposed for the sexual battery must be served consecutively to the defendant's current sentence.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-13-504, is amended by adding the following language as a new subsection:

(c) Notwithstanding any provision of title 40, chapter 35, or any other law to the contrary, if a defendant commits the offense of aggravated sexual battery while incarcerated within any correctional facility, then at least three (3) years of the sentence imposed for the aggravated sexual battery must be served consecutively to the defendant's current sentence.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-13-503, is amended by adding the following language as a new subsection:

(d) Notwithstanding any provision of title 40, chapter 35, or any other law to the contrary, if a defendant commits the offense of rape while incarcerated within any correctional facility, then at least five (5) years of the sentence imposed for the rape must be served consecutively to the defendant's current sentence.

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-13-502, is amended by adding the following language as a new subsection:

(c) Notwithstanding any provision of title 40, chapter 35, or any other law to the contrary, if a defendant commits the offense of aggravated rape while incarcerated within any correctional facility, then at least seven (7) years of the sentence imposed for such aggravated rape must be served consecutively to the defendant's current sentence.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.